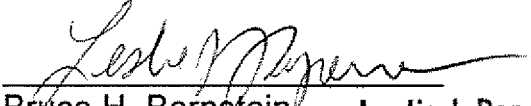


REMARKS

By the above amendment, claim 13 has been amended to correct its dependency, and no estoppel should be deemed to be associated with this amendment.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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